# Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Dan Michael Berkovitz, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and James E. Hubbard, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 646 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

#### GLOBAL INTERNET GOVERNANCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet concluded a hearing to examine the internet and digital communications, focusing on the impact of global internet governance, after receiving testimony from Michael Chertoff, The Chertoff Group, Roslyn Layton, American Enterprise Institute, Denise E. Zheng, Business Roundtable, and Christopher M.E. Painter, Global Commission for the Stability of Cyberspace, all of Washington, D.C.; and James Bladel, GoDaddy, Scottsdale, Arizona.

#### NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael A. Hammer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kyle McCarter, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, who was introduced by Senator Inhofe, Stephanie Sanders Sullivan, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, and Donald R. Tapia, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to Jamaica, who was introduced by Senator Gardner, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## REDUCING HEALTH CARE COSTS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reducing health care costs, focusing on decreasing administrative spending, after receiving testimony from Becky Hultberg, Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association, Anchorage; Matt Eyles, America's Health Insurance Plans, and Robert A. Book, Libris Research, LLC, on behalf of the American Action Forum, both of Washington, D.C.; and David M. Cutler, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

#### FAMILY REUNIFICATION EFFORTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine immigration enforcement and family reunification efforts, after receiving testimony from Carla L. Provost, Acting Chief, Border Patrol, Customs and Border Protection, Matthew T. Albence, Executive Associate Director, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Jennifer B. Higgins, Associate Director, Refugee, Asylum and International Operations Directorate, Citizenship and Immigration Services, all of Department of Homeland Security; Jonathan White, Commander, Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Department of Health and Human Services; and James McHenry, Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice.

# FEDERAL COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts concluded a hearing to examine the structure of the Federal courts, after receiving testimony from Diarmuid F. O'Scannlain, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; Brian T. Fitzpatrick, Vanderbilt Law School, Nashville, Tennessee; Lori A. Ringhand, University of Georgia School of Law, Athens.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Joseph Maguire, of Florida, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and Ellen E. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Intelligence and Research).

## **INTELLIGENCE**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.